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Docket No. 2094/1E286US1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Jeffrey M. LINNEN and Kevin M. GORMAN

Serial No: 09/493,353

Examiner : J. GOLDBERG

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For: OLIGONUCLEOTIDE PRIMERS FOR EFFICIENT DETECTION OF  
HEPATITIS C VIRUS (HCV) AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified patent application upon which prosecution is closed.

1. The issue fee in this application has not been paid.
2. This request is accompanied by the following submissions:

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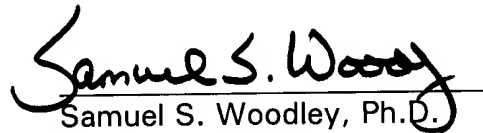
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- [X] A check in the amount of **\$740.00**, in payment of the required fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(d) and § 1.17(e);
- 2b. [X] Consider the Response to Office Action and Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on April 22, 2002; and
- 2c. [X] A Petition for Extension of Time accompanies this Request (accompanied by the appropriate Extension Fee), requesting that the time period for submitting a Brief on Appeal be extended for a period of one month, from JUNE 22, 2002 up to and including JULY 22, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,



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